

Clerk's Office  
**Village of Westmont**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, April 16th, 2015.**

**Mayor Gunter** called the meeting to order at **5:30 PM.**

**WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Gunter P Clerk Szymiski P

**TRUSTEES:** Addington P Barker P  
Barry P Nero P  
Scott P Senicka P

**STAFF:**

<b>May</b> <u>P</u> (Village Mgr)	<b>Crane</b> <u>A</u> (H.R. Director)	<b>Parker</b> <u>P</u> (Finance Director)
<b>Chief Weiss</b> <u>A</u> (Fire Dept.)	<b>Dep. Chief Gunther</b> <u>P</u> (Police Dept.)	<b>Chief Mulhearn</b> <u>P</u> (Police Dept.)
<b>Dep. Chief Riley</b> <u>P</u> (Fire Dept.)	<b>McIntyre</b> <u>P</u> (Communication Director)	<b>Ziegler</b> <u>P</u> (Community Development Director)
<b>Dep. Chief Brenza</b> <u>P</u> (Police Dept.)	<b>Ramsey</b> <u>A</u> (Acting P.W. Director)	<b>Whitehead</b> <u>P</u> (Code Enforcement Officer)
<b>Liljeberg</b> <u>A</u> (I.T. Manager)	<b>Dralle</b> <u>A</u> (Fire Dept.)	<b>Bjur</b> <u>P</u> (Police Department Admin Assistant)

**WESTMONT FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS:**

**Kovanda** P **Musial** P **Hrncirik** P

**ATTORNEY:** Zemenak P

**A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.**

**PRESS:**

Chicago Tribune A Independent: Daniel Smrokowski A

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR:** Forssberg - P

**VISITORS:**

**THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**OPEN FORUM:**

- Amy Quatrone, 238 W Burlington Ave.
  - Talked about the IL Reads Program
  - Introduced District 201 Student Ambassador Pranav, who read his "I love

reading" essay.

- The event will be April 18th, from 10:00am - 1:00pm at the Westmont High School.

**VOTING KEY:**      **A=ABSENT**                      **AB=ABSTAIN**                      **N=NO**      **W=Withdrawn**  
                                 **P=PRESENT**                      **Y=YES**                                      **V=VACATION**

**Note:** *The items listed in these minutes are summaries only and are not meant to be a direct transcript of the Mayor's, Manager's, Clerk's and Trustees' comments. For actual quotes of the referenced items please refer to the Archival video copy of this meeting.*

**VOTING SUMMARY**

	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>	<b><u>3</u></b>	<b><u>4</u></b>	<b><u>5</u></b>	<b><u>6</u></b>	<b><u>7</u></b>	<b><u>8</u></b>	<b><u>9</u></b>
TRUSTEE ADDINGTON	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE BARKER	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE BARRY	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE NERO	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE SCOTT	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE SENICKA	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
	<b><u>10</u></b>	<b><u>11</u></b>	<b><u>12</u></b>						
TRUSTEE ADDINGTON	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						
TRUSTEE BARKER	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						
TRUSTEE BARRY	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						
TRUSTEE NERO	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						
TRUSTEE SCOTT	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						
TRUSTEE SENICKA	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						

**REPORTS**

**Mayor Gunter**

- Welcomed everyone tonight.
- Awarded a retirement plaque to the planning and zoning commissioner and former Village Trustee Steve Fedeczko. Steve thanked the community. He wished everyone on the commission good luck.
- Jeff Olsem received a retirement plaque for 30 years of service to the Police Department. Jeff thanked everyone for thirty years with the Village and felt honored to have been there.
- Introduced Chief Mulhearn to swear in our new officer by the Mayor. Alexander Bennett was sworn in as an Officer of the Westmont Police Department. Police Chief Mulhearn talked about the new officer. Officer Bennett talked about his training.

- Police Chief Mulhearn asked for Michael Weibler to be sworn in by the Mayor as Sergeant. Chief Mulhearn talked about the new sergeant. Sergeant Weibler thanked the Village staff and residents for his opportunities.
- The Mayor thanked the Police and Fire Commissioners for all their hard work and Police Chief Mulhearn also thanked them.
- The Police Chief awarded the life saving awards to two of his officers who used Narcan.
- Police Chief Mulhearn talked about the events of August 3, 2014. Officer Schneider and Officer Daniel Kurinec responded to a call where a victim was overdosing from heroin. Officer Schneider used Narcan to counter the effects of the heroin, and she survived.
- Police Chief Mulhearn gave a life saving award to Officer Tim Radke for his actions on January 1. Officer Radke gave a victim who was suffering from a heroin overdose Narcan, when that did not work, he began to perform CPR, and the victim survived.
- Chief Mulhearn also talked about another life saving situation by Officer Tim Radke.
- Officer Anthony Rainaldi and Officer Sean Ryan received Chiefs Recognition Awards for an outstanding arrest of an offender, and canibus was confiscated.
- Deputy Chief James Gunther, Sergeant Stephen Thompson, Sergeant Craig Gomorczak, Detectives Michael Weiber, Ronaldo Padilla, Scott Buckovic, Jeffrey Borgardt, and Crime Scene Technician Scott Muska all received Chiefs Recognition Awards. The officers were notified of a woman who had been assaulted and kidnapped. They located the offender with the assistance of the the Woodridge Police Department.
- Communications Director McIntyre announced a *Coffee with the Mayor* at *Citrus Diner* on May 2, 2015 at 8:00am.
- The Taiwanese Dance team will perform on May 6, 2015 at 7:00pm at the Westmont High School.
- The Community Branding Meeting will be held May 20, 2015 at 6:00pm.
- Mayor talked about the May 14th Village Board Meeting. We will honor Trustee Senicka and Trustee Scott on their service at their last meeting.

#### **Clerk Szymski**

- Happy Belated Birthday to Attorney Zemenak.
- Reminded everyone to remove election signs out of their yards.
- April - December is the weekly brush pickup. All of the information on the rules for brush pick up are on our website. Yard waste can be put out as well, and stickers need to be placed on the bags.
- The garbage rates will going up in price. This will be happening in May.
- The Community Garage Sale will be August 7th and 8th.
- Rotary Club will be holding their Reverse raffle at the Knights of Columbus on April 22, 2015.
- Holy Trinity will be holding the Spring Gala on Friday, April 24th at 6:00pm at the Abbingdon.

**Attorney Zemenak**

- Some revised ordinances were sent out to the Board.
- Asked for an executive session to discuss real estate.

**Village Manager May**

- Congratulated the The Finance Director and his department regarding the CAFR award.
- Finance Director Parker was asked to discuss IMET (Illinois Metropolitan Investment Fund) and the situation with recovery of money due to investments made.

**Trustee Scott**

- The next Finance Committee Meeting will be held on May 30, 2015.
- Updated the public on Video Gaming in the Village of Westmont. In March, \$4.2 million was played, \$3.9 million was won, \$75,000 went to the State, and Westmont received \$15,000. That was for one month. The program is proving to be successful.

**Trustee Nero**

- Thanks for the support during the election. It is a privilege to serve the people of Westmont.
- The Stormwater Referendum has passed and now the Village has work to do.
- The Public Works Committee will discuss the implementation of the stormwater tax at the next meeting.
- Many topics were discussed at the Public Safety Meeting.
  - Photo enforcement at the railroad crossing was talked about. It is shocking to see how many people disregard the crossing.
  - School Crossing Guard program was discussed.
  - How can people report non emergency calls?
  - Discussed a new fire engine.
  - Honored new Deputy Chief.
  - Fee Survey for ambulance services will be discussed.
- It was the first time attending DMMC in Lisle. The conference was very good and is a benefit to our communities.

**Trustee Barker**

- Westmont First met last night. The following items were discussed.
  - The Neighborhood pride program is picking up steam.
  - There was a Blockhead meeting here.
  - The Notice Program has been implemented. Code Enforcement canvassed the town with flyers. It is a positive educational program. There are reports that residents are happy with the effort and results.
- Communications Director McIntyre reported that 18 residents have officially signed up for the program. They are acting as diplomats and reaching out in neighborhoods. Their first assignment is to get a Block party going in their neighborhood to help meet people and build the communication bridge.

**Trustee Senicka**

- The next Administration Meeting will be May 28th. They will be announcing a new Chair for that meeting.
- Thanked and congratulated Bob Plowman on another successful event last Saturday. There was another *Cash Mob* organized at *Uncle John's Music*. Bob is very pro Westmont and is very appreciated.
- Congratulated and Thanked Steve Fedeczko for his service to Westmont.

#### Trustee Barry

- The Environmental Improvement Committee will be meeting May 4th.
- Invited Kate Buckson to talk about upcoming Library Events. They are celebrating Earth month.
- You can also go to Downers Grove Township Garage, 318 E Quincy for electronic recycling.
- Rotary Reverse Raffle is April 22, 2015 at the KC Hall.

#### Trustee Addington

- The Economic Development Committee took a tour of the *Taiwanese Cultural Center*, 55 E 63rd St. If other organizations in town are looking for a meeting place, you can inquire on using their facility.
- The next tour will be of *Kosart Effects Studio* on Burr Oak Drive.
- Monday a presentation will be made at the annual meeting for the Oak Wood Homeowners association to discuss the current economic development projects. This will be held at 7:00pm at the Jr. High School.
- Talked about an Email from Ray and Cindy Tamos. They wanted to know if there is a way to control the distribution of the Tribune Company coupons that come to the door.
- Informed everyone that the District Convention for Lions was last week. Two residents received awards. The Special Presidential Citation was awarded to Dr. Renee Reeder. The other award went to our very own Mayor. Mayor Gunter received the George Lazanski Service Award.

**ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:** No motion to remove items from the consent agenda. No Motion required.

#### **(1) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:**

**Manager May** addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to approve the consent agenda items A, B, C, D, E and F.

**(A) VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES:** Board to consider approving the minutes of the Village Board Meeting held on **April 2, 2015**, and the Village Board Budget Workshops held **April 6, 2015, April 7, 2015 and April 11, 2015.**

**(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE #24:** Dated **April 16, 2015**, in the amount of  
\$ **1,486,285.62**

**(C) PURCHASE ORDERS**

<b>11036019</b>	Don Morris Architect	<b>\$ 9,815.00</b>
<b>11036003</b>	Full Compass Systems	<b>6,250.00</b>
<b>11036011</b>	Mid American Water Inc.	<b>12,198.00</b>
	<b>Total of Purchase Orders</b>	<b>\$28,263.00</b>

**(D) PROCLAMATION: National Telecommunicators Week**

Board to approve a proclamation to declare the week of April 12-18, 2015 as National Telecommunicators Week in the Village of Westmont.

**(E) PROCLAMATION: National Volunteer Week**

Board to consider a proclamation to declare the week of April 12-18, 2015 as National Volunteer Week in the Village of Westmont.

**(F) PROCLAMATION: Celebrate Arbor Day Proclamation**

Board to approve a proclamation to declare the week of April 24, 2015 as Arbor Day in the Village of Westmont.

Seconded by **Trustee Scott** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #1**      Ayes: Addington, Scott, Barker, Barry, Senicka, and Nero.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**(2) PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT**

**Community Development Director Ziegler and Thomas Sharp** addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Senicka** to consider an a motion to approve Mayor Gunter's appointment of Thomas Sharp to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Seconded by **Trustee Barry** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #2** Ayes: Addington, Senicka, Scott, Barker, Barry, and Nero.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(3) APPOINTMENT OF NEW VILLAGE PROSECUTOR**

**Police Chief Mulhearn and Christine Charkewycz** addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider an ordinance approving Mayor Gunter's appointment of Christine Charkewycz as Village Prosecutor.

Seconded by **Trustee Barker** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #3** Ayes: Addington, Scott, Barry, Barker, Senicka, and Nero.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(4) 128 SOUTH CASS - NAIL STATION SPECIAL USE**

**Community Development Director Ziegler and Florence Dalton** addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Barry** to consider an ordinance approving the following requests from Florence Dalton of Flo's Tips 'n Toes to allow the operation of a nail salon on the ground floor in the B-1 Limited Business District:

1. Special use permit.
2. Development permit.

Seconded by **Trustee Addington** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #4** Ayes: Addington, Senicka, Scott, Barker, Barry, and Nero.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(5) 200 AND 276 E OGDEN AVE - AUDI OF WESTMONT**

**Community Development Director Ziegler** addressed the board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider an ordinance approving the following requests from Audi to renovate an existing dealership and build a parking deck in the B-2 General Business District:

1. Site and Landscaping Plan approval for a parking deck and building expansion.
2. Zoning Code Variance Request to reduce the required rear yard setback for the purpose of constructing a parking deck.

3. Zoning Code Variance Request to increase the allowed height for the purpose of constructing a parking deck.
4. Commercial masonry waiver request.

Seconded by **Trustee Senicka** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #5**      Ayes: Addington, Scott, Barry, Barker, Senicka, and Nero.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(6) SALES TAX - REFERENDUM**

**Finance Director Parker and Village Manager May** addressed the board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Scott** to consider an ordinance authorizing a 0.5% Non-Home-Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and Non-Home-Rule Service Occupation Tax.

Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #6**      Ayes: Addington, Scott, Barker, Barry, Senicka, and Nero.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(7) PENSION FUNDING POLICY**

**Finance Director Parker** addressed the board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Senicka** to consider an ordinance adopting the Village of Westmont Fire & Police Pension Funding Policy.

Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #7**      Ayes: Addington, Scott, Barker, Barry, Senicka, and Nero.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(8) FY 2015-2016 BUDGET**

**Finance Director Parker** addressed the board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider a resolution to adopt the 2015 - 2016 Budget.

Seconded by **Trustee Senicka** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #8**      Ayes: Addington, Scott, Barker, Barry, Senicka, and Nero.



Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(9) SUPPORT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPOWERMENT AND REFORM**

**Village Manager May** addressed the board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider a resolution adopting sections of the State of Illinois Turnaround Agenda.

Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #9** Ayes: Addington, Scott, Barker, Barry, Senicka and Nero.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

- The Annual Police Department Auction will be Saturday, May 16th.
- Trustee Barker thanked Finance Director Parker for his great budget.

**(10) CLOSED SESSION:** As requested by **Attorney Zemenak** a motion was made by **Trustee Addington** to move into Executive Session at **7:30 PM** to discuss personnel.  
Seconded by **Trustee Scott** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #10** Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Senicka, and Scott.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(11) RECONVENE REGULAR BOARD MEETING:** Motion by **Trustee Addington** to move out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular Board meeting at **7:45 PM**.  
Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #11** Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Senicka, and Scott.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(12) ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by **Trustee Addington** to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #12** Ayes: Addington, Scott, Barker, Barry, Senicka, and Nero.



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Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:46 PM**  
**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk  
Dated this 30th day of April 2015.

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Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor